

**Congress of the United States**  
**House of Representatives**

November 6, 2008

Dear Friend and Fellow Republican,

Yesterday, we comforted our less fortunate friends.

Today, we meet an opportunity. Free to think and act anew, we are privileged with the task of restoring our Republican Party into a transformational political movement on behalf of the America people.

*We will seize this moment!*

For the past two years, you entrusted me with the opportunity to serve as your Republican House Policy Committee Chair. Thank you for this honor.

For the next two years, our caucus must confront a new Democratic administration and an emboldened Democratic Congressional Majority. We must fight and win on the issues by offering our own bold, principled policy positions to:

1. Promote tax relief and economic growth for all Americans
2. Curb the federal government's powers and cut its expenditures
3. Expand the domestic production of American Energy
4. Enhance America's national security at home, and support our troops and the cause of victory

Thus, given the stakes at this transformational time for our country and our party, I ask for your support to continue serving you as the Republican House Policy Chair.

Elected from a marginal seat in a blue state, I necessarily understand the challenges and opposition we confront in serving our constituents and our cause, whether it be on the House floor or going door to door. After two decades of public service, be it as a Precinct Delegate or a U.S. Representative, I necessarily understand how to maximize members' and candidates' opportunities and talents, particularly under adverse conditions.

Therefore, if again entrusted to serve you in elected leadership as Policy Chair, I will continue to fight for your interests and our Republican Party's restoration to a legislative majority.

I am running with the full confidence of Leader Boehner. I would not have run without his encouragement and look forward to being a member of his leadership team to rebuild the trust of the American people.

In conclusion, I have always said, "In the end, I trust your judgment," and I always will. Thus, whatever your decision, thank you for your consideration and for all you do for our country and our party.

I work for you.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Thaddeus G. McCotter". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "T".

Thaddeus G. McCotter